

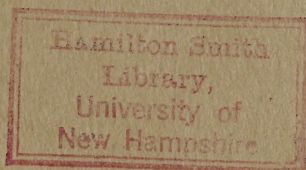
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*Annual Report*

**THORNTON**

*New Hampshire*

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**YEAR ENDING**  
***January 31, 1932***





ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
OFFICERS  
OF THE  
Town of Thornton, N. H.

YEAR ENDING  
January 31, 1932

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THE RECORD PRINT  
Plymouth, N. H.  
1932

## TOWN OFFICERS

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Moderator—William Lyford  
Town Clerk—Irma Smith  
Town Treasurer—Irma Smith  
Selectmen—Charles R. Houston, Everett E. Caldon,  
Leland E. Holmes  
Tax Collector—Esther Broad  
Overseer of Poor—Frank Merrill  
Auditors—Annie K. Dobson, A. D. Merrill  
Supervisors of Check List—Ralph Steele, Lyman  
Merrill, Norton White  
Road Agents—Roy Sawyer, Ralph Steele, Lyman  
Boyce  
Fire Wardens—A. C. Benton, L. W. Bradley  
Health Officer—Ralph Steele  
Library Trustees—Annie K. Dobson, May Lyford,  
Annie Gero  
Police Officers—Ralph Steele, George Adams  
Librarians—Vera Hazeltine, Annie Tuttle  
Superintendent of Cemeteries—Scott Benton  
Trustees of Trust Funds—Scott Benton, Frank Merrill

## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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To the inhabitants of the Town of Thornton in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Thornton on Tuesday, the eighth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.
3. To bring in your ballots for Delegate National Convention.
4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for highways and bridges for the ensuing year and make appropriation for the same.
5. To see if the town will vote to raise money for State Aid Maintenance and make appropriation for the same.
6. To see if the town will vote to raise money for State Aid Construction and make appropriation for the same.
7. To see if town will vote to raise money for Trunk Line Maintenance and make appropriation for the same.
8. To see if town will vote to build a cement bridge over School House Brook at Mad River and make appropriation for the same.

9. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for library above what the law requires.

10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for Memorial Day.

11. To see if the town will vote to fight the White Pine Blister Rust and appropriate money for the same.

12. To see what the town will vote to pay as wages on the highways.

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twelfth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty-two.

CHARLES R. HOUSTON,  
EVERETT E. CALDON,  
LELAND E. HOLMES,

Selectmen of Thornton.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

CHARLES R. HOUSTON,  
EVERETT E. CALDON,  
LELAND E. HOLMES,

Selectmen of Thornton.



## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF THORNTON, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the  
Ensuing Year January 31, 1932 to January 31, 1933,  
Compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of  
the Previous Year January 31, 1931 to January 31,  
1932.

Sources of Revenue		
	Actual 1931	Estimated 1932
From State		
Insurance tax, railroad tax		
Savings bank tax	\$ 508.10	\$ 508.10
For fighting forest fires	22.54	22.54
Interest and dividend tax	57.32	57.32
From Local Sources Except Taxes		
All licenses and permits except		
dog licenses	668.90	668.90
Fines and forfeits dog licenses	147.60	147.60
Bounty	88.60	88.60
Revenue Applicable only to New Construction and Improvements		
From State:		
For state aid highway		
construction	4,572.91	4,572.91
Amount raised by issue of bonds		
or notes	2,000.00	2,000.00
Forest reserve	307.45	307.45
State forest refund	1,084.68	1,084.68
Revenue Applicable only to Payments on Indebtedness		
Amount refund C. R. Houston	168.00	168.00
Revenue Which Must be Paid to Other Governmental Divisions		
Applebee mortgage	250.00	250.00
Total revenues from all sources	\$9,874.10	\$9,874.10
1930 tax redeemed	515.54	515.54
Amount raised by property taxes	20,471.53	20,471.53
Total revenues	\$30,861.17	\$30,861.17

## Purposes of Expenditures

	Actual 1931	Estimated 1932
<b>General Government</b>		
Town officers' salaries	\$ 948.08	\$ 948.08
Town officers' expenses	78.84	78.84
Care and supplies for town hall	252.60	252.60
<b>Protection of Persons and Property</b>		
Police department	28.00	28.00
Fire department	71.73	71.73
Moth extermination	400.00	400.00
<b>Health</b>		
Vital statistics	6.25	6.25
<b>Education</b>		
Libraries	25.00	25.00
<b>Charities</b>		
Town poor	96.00	96.00
<b>Patriotic Purposes</b>		
Memorial Day and other celebrations	20.00	20.00
<b>Public Service Enterprises</b>		
Cemeteries	40.00	40.00
<b>Taxes Bought by Town</b>	2,794.68	
<b>Interest</b>		
On temporary loans	60.00	60.00
On short term notes	2,000.00	2,000.00
<b>Highways and Bridges</b>		
State aid construction	5,556.22	5,556.22
Sandwich Notch Road	466.25	466.25
<b>Applebee Mortgage</b>	470.00	470.00
<b>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions</b>		
State taxes	1,036.00	1,036.00
County taxes	1,205.46	1,205.46
Payments to school districts	8,617.68	8,617.68
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>\$29,739.41</b>	<b>\$29,739.41</b>



## SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

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Land and buildings	\$419,155.00
Electric plant	49,200.00
Horses, 86	8,240.00
Mule, 1	50.00
Oxen, 4	500.00
Cows, 184	11,305.00
Other neat stock, 49	2,790.00
Hogs, 9	135.00
Fowls, 260	370.00
Wood and lumber	23,425.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks	2,400.00
Stock in trade	3,100.00
Mills and machinery	1,900.00
	<hr/> \$522,570.00
Amount exempt from soldiers	3,500.00
	<hr/> \$519,070.00
 Amount of taxes assessed on property	 \$ 16,802.20
Amount of poll taxes	498.00
	<hr/> \$17,300.20
 Rate per cent on \$100.00—\$3.24	

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### Appropriations

To defray town charges	\$ 1,500.00
Pine Blister Rust	400.00
State aid maintenance	1,000.00
State aid construction	775.50
Trunk line maintenance	1,550.00
Town maintenance	4,000.00
To buy snow blade	500.00
To repair Dobson Hill	200.00
Library	25.00
Memorial Day	20.00
State tax	1,036.00
County tax	1,205.00
School tax	6,013.00
	<hr/> \$ 18,224.50

### Statement of Assets

Cash in hands of treasurer	\$ 3,278.54
Cash in hands of library trustees	32.20
Due from state, bounty money	109.80
Due from Waterville, painting six mile bridge	40.00
Due from Applebee on mortgage	220.00
Taxes not collected, 1924	7.00
Taxes not collected, 1925	21.00
Land sale, 1924	12.22
Land sale, 1925	44.16
Land sale, 1926	12.87
Land sale, 1927	46.90
Land sale, 1928	181.12
Land sale, 1929	42.01
Land sale, 1930	663.15
May land sale, 1931 for 1930 tax	506.13
December land sale, 1931 for 1931 tax	1,924.53
Uncollected taxes for 1930	51.52
Uncollected taxes for 1931	175.27
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	\$ 7,368.42

### Statement of Liabilities

Due schools, balance appropriation dog money and forest reserve	2,064.33
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Total liabilities	\$ 2,064.33
Excess of assets over liabilities	5,304.09
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	\$ 7,368.42

### Snow Removal from Jan. 31, 1931 to Jan. 31, 1932

Clayton Ham and men	\$ 604.36
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### Town Property

Hazeltine land	\$ 100.00
Town house	1,000.00
Tool house	400.00
School houses	3,000.00
Road roll	50.00

Road scrapers	50.00
Equipment for school houses	825.00
Equipment for town house	100.00
Tractor and plow	350.00
Fire equipment	50.00
Applebee mortgage	220.00
Snow blade	400.00
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	\$ 6,545.00

#### Amount of Taxes Assessed, 1930

Resident	\$12,603.50
Non-resident	6,846.22
220 polls	440.00
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	\$19,889.72

Added to	
12 polls	\$ 24.00
D. Arnold	37.60
G. Ripley	36.10
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	\$ 97.70

Total assessment	<hr/>
	\$19,987.42

#### Amount Taxes Assessed 1931

Resident	\$10,870.87
Non-resident	5,937.30
249 polls	498.00
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	\$17,306.17

Added to	
11 polls	\$ 22.00
C. S. Morrison	6.48
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	\$ 28.48

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	\$17,334.65
Abatements	19.24
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	\$17,315.41



## TREASURER'S REPORT

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Cash on hand January 31, 1931	\$ 2,156.78
Received for 67 dog licenses, less fee	147.60
Received for auto tax permits, 1931	373.27
Received for auto tax permits, 1932	295.63
Received of selectmen	8,549.50
Received of tax collector, 1930 tax	2,706.27
Received of tax collector, 1931 tax	14,970.58
Received of tax collector for 1929 land sale	212.96
Received of tax collector for 1930 land sale	98.45
Received of tax collector for 1931 land sale	2,794.68
Received of tax collector for 1931 land sale 1930 tax	204.13
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Total receipts	\$32,509.85
Total payments	29,231.31
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Cash on hand January 30, 1932	\$ 3,278.54

IRMA SMITH, Treasurer.

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### Detailed Statement of Receipts

From state highway department	\$ 4,572.91
From state, bounty money	86.60
From state, forest fire money	22.54
From bank	2,000.00
Overdraft from C. R. Houston	168.00
From Applebee on mortgage	250.00
National forest reserve	307.45
From tax on interest and dividends	57.32
From state forest refund	1,084.68
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	\$ 8,549.50

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### Detailed Statement of Payments

C. R. Houston, salary	\$ 122.33
E. E. Caldon, salary	128.50
L. E. Holmes, salary	71.00
H. W. Steele, salary	48.00

Irma Smith, salary, balance of salary 1930	50.00
Irma Smith, salary	200.00
Irma Smith, commission for licensing cars	59.75
Esther Broad, collector, 1930 salary	100.00
William Lyford, moderator salary	12.00
Ralph Steele, police officer	20.00
George Adams, police officer	4.00
Annie Dobson, auditor	6.00
Frank Merrill, supervisor	10.50
Norton White, supervisor	8.75
Ralph Steele, supervisor	5.25
Ralph Steele, care of tramps	4.00
Ralph Steele, overseer of poor after settlement	3.00
Vera Hazeltine, librarian	96.00
Annie Tuttle, librarian	12.00
Ralph Steele, dog police	8.00
Scott Benton, superintendent cemeteries	40.00
A. C. Benton, fire department	71.73
Ahne Dobson for library	25.00
Roy Sawyer, road agent, District No. 1	765.15
Ralph Steele, road agent, District No. 2	697.30
Lyman Boyce, road agent, District No. 3	756.64
Frank Broad, Lower Road bridge	1,290.50
Frank Broad, Upper Road, concrete header	23.10
C. R. Houston, foreman Upper road bridge	1,773.90
C. R. Houston, foreman Lower road bridge	219.88
E. E. Caldon, state aid maintenance	1,645.90
E. E. Caldon, state aid construction	2,349.41
H. A. Broad, Sandwich Notch road	466.25
Milton Presby, painting bridges	486.46
C. T. Patten, paint for bridges	26.01
N. H. Highway Garage, paint and spraying machine	251.11
Melvin Adams, Dobson Hill	293.64
Bounty	109.80
Money paid out for expenses	39.84
Town hall expenses	41.84
Record Print printing reports	76.25
Baxter Burnell, bonding officers	37.00
E. C. Eastman, supplies	31.71
E. E. Caldon, janitor	5.00
W. I. Lee, insurance	53.80
W. J. Randolph, transfers and recording deeds	12.72
Auto Bureau Service	25.41

Lester M. Avery, lumber for town house	16.21
L. E. Holmes, labor town house	31.50
Irma Smith, vital statistics	6.25
Esther Broad, May 25, 1930, land sale	870.15
Esther Broad, Dec. 31, 1931, 1931 land sale	1,924.53
Irma Smith, school money	6,617.68
C. T. Patten, state tax	527.90
C. T. Patten, snow fence	118.94
H. S. Huckins, county tax	1,205.46
E. E. Caldon, moving snow fence	12.50
E. E. Caldon, getting snow plow	2.88
Dyer Sales & Machine Co., snow plow	385.00
B. & M. R. R., freight on snow plow	12.98
Walter Applebee, damage for new road	50.00
W. B. Avery, mortgage Applebee farm	470.00
Willis Horner, sanding hill	9.36
Pemigewasset National Bank, note & interest	2,060.00
D. E. Ambrose, polishing Mad River bridge	87.11
Town poor	96.40
Mrs. B. F. Merrill, water trough	3.00
Clarence Downing, water trough	3.00
C. W. Hanson, gas and oil	7.04
M. P. Hibbard, snow plowing	39.00
N. East Metal Culvert Co.	161.20
Clayton Ham, snow removal	604.36
H. W. Steele, work on and parts for tractor	107.73
R. G. Wakefield legal advice	2.00
A. J. Fenton, shoe for snow plow	4.50
Stanley Adams working on snow plow	18.00
E. C. Burleigh, gas and oil	99.83
Willie C. Avery, on snow plow	3.60
E. C. Buzzell, cement pipe	32.20
Eliza Martin, land damage time of flood	87.15
O. L. Durand, flags for cemetery	20.00
E. A. Green, gas	1.90
State Forestry, White Pine Blister	400.00
C. T. Patten, tar	480.00
Dora Brown, town signs	25.00
Waldo damage to auto by painting bridges	18.00
Frank L. Houston, breaking S. Notch Road	5.00
E. E. Caldon, sanding road	44.36
H. W. Steele, town road	10.00
F. A. Barnard, ballot clerk	7.00
	<u>\$29,231.31</u>



**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**  
**Esther H. Broad, Collector 1931**

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Amount taxes assessed 1931	\$17,334.65
Abatements	19.24
	<hr/> \$17,315.41
Discount	242.93
	<hr/> \$17,072.48
Paid to treasurer	16,895.21
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Uncollected	\$ 175.27
<b>Abatements</b>	
York's camp	\$ 3.24
A. C. Benton, over 70	2.00
Lizzie Savage, over 70	2.00
Melvin Adams, over 70	2.00
Affie Merrill, over 70	2.00
John Dolloff, over 70	2.00
Mrs. John Baumgardner, under age	2.00
Henry Avery, under age	2.00
Fred Dearborn	2.00
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	\$ 19.24

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**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**  
**Esther H. Broad, Collector 1930**

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Amount taxes assessed 1930	\$19,987.42
Abatements	69.92
	<hr/> \$19,917.50
Discount	173.04
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Amount paid treasurer	\$19,744.46
	<hr/> \$19,692.94
Amount taxes uncollected	<hr/> \$ 51.52

### Abatements 1930

Joseph Gilman, over 70	\$ 2.00
K. W. Robbins	2.00
L. Thibodeau, paid in Waterville	2.00
E. E. Green	18.80
Clarence Moulton	7.52
K. W. Robbins	37.60
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	\$ 69.92

Of the above \$19,692.94 there is \$1,017.29 that has not yet been paid the treasurer, it is on land bought for taxes in 1930 on 1929.

### Redeemed from 1929 Land Sale

1928 tax \$175.97—\$36.99	\$ 212.96
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### Redeemed from 1930 Land Sale

1929 tax \$38.78—\$20.97; \$30.70—\$8.00	\$ 98.45
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### Redeemed from 1931 Land Sale

1930 tax \$168.55—\$35.58	\$ 204.13
Balance due from 1929 land sale	\$ 42.01
Balance due from 1930 land sale	\$ 663.15
Balance due from 1931 land sale	\$ 710.26
Balance due from second 1931 land sale	\$ 1,924.53

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## ROAD AGENTS' REPORT

### Roy J. Sawyer, Agent, Road District No. 1

Amount drawn	\$ 743.25
Amount due	\$ 21.90
H. A. Broad, labor with truck	\$ 92.55
Carl H. Broad, labor with team	46.25
Everett Sawyer, laborer	175.30
Walter S. Elliott, laborer	22.50
Truman A. Heath, laborer	10.50
Colby Lyford, gravel	3.80
Ruric Jordan, sharpening drills	1.25
Roy J. Sawyer, labor with team	302.80
I. F. Hazeltine, gravel	1.90

Clayton Ham, running tractor	38.25
William McLean, laborer	3.50
Fred H. Dolloff, laborer	3.50
Jacob Uhlman, gravel	2.10
W. B. Avery, dynamite	1.70
Paul Morin, laborer	14.00
Edwin Dolloff, laborer	15.75
F. C. Tobey, gravel	4.00
Harry Uhlman, laborer	13.50
Frank Broad, laborer	12.00
Total	<hr/> \$ 765.15

#### Ralph Steele, Agent, Road District No. 2

Frank Downing	\$ 3.50
Leslie Downing, truck	10.00
Harry Steele	4.50
Archie White	7.00
Clayton Ham	55.25
Alex Milady	11.40
Norton White	23.30
George Adams	64.75
John Keefe	13.50
Archie Brown	15.75
Lawrence Steele	12.75
Stanley Adams	6.74
Eben Messer	26.25
Floyd Haynes	8.75
E. E. Caldon, truck	10.00
Fred Adams	10.25
Sidney Boyce	12.25
Harry Gilman	12.25
Dan Downing	3.50
Stearl Hazeltine	7.00
Bert Benton, truck	15.00
A. C. Benton	10.50
Ralph Steele, truck, work and bridge stringers	275.55
M. F. Fountain, truck	15.00
E. C. Burleigh, spikes	.50
A. D. Merrill, work, 1129 ft. plank @ \$35.00	40.21
F. W. Steele, 45 fence posts at 25 cents	11.25
Harry Adams	7.00



A. M. Rand, bolts for road machine	1.10
Hibbard's Garage, welding part for road machine	2.00
Clinton Garland, piece for road machine	.50
Total	697.30

#### Lyman Boyce, Agent, Road District No. 3

Lyman Boyce	\$ 366.25
Joseph Gilman	71.75
Everett Steele	1.75
Sidney Boyce	3.50
Harry Gilman	3.50
Clayton Ham	28.50
Albert Petrain	39.48
Jessie Peaslee	49.75
Eben Messer	34.63
Mrs. Affie Merrill	13.70
Harry Steele	1.20
Kenneth Haines	3.50
Sam Stickney	3.50
Perley Avery	7.50
Lester Knowles	7.00
Lester Bradley	23.00
Leland Holmes	78.88
James Fox	19.25
Total	\$ 756.64
Amount drawn	\$ 756.64

#### Charles R. Houston, Lower Road Account

Carl Broad	\$ 12.25
Herbert Broad	20.50
Perley Colby	31.50
John Crowley	12.00
Edwin Dolloff	8.75
C. R. Houston	35.00
F. L. Houston	17.50
Clayton Ham	9.00
Gordon King	28.00
Everett Sawyer	5.25
Roy Sawyer	22.75

Eugene Wood	15.75
Gravel	1.00
Spikes	.63
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	\$ 219.88

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**Charles R. Houston, Upper Road Account**

Fred Adams	\$ 35.00
George Adams	24.50
Perley Avery	14.00
Carl Broad	96.25
H. A. Broad	265.00
L. N. Brown	200.00
John Crowley	60.00
Edwin Dolloff	18.09
Fred Dolloff	3.50
L. Downing	90.00
H. Downing	31.50
Walter Elliott	61.25
Medos Fountain	90.00
Clayton Ham	6.75
C. R. Houston	119.00
Lester Knowles	21.00
Gordon King	70.00
Paul Morin	10.50
Everett Sawyer	96.25
Roy Sawyer	103.25
Albert Woodbury	31.50
Eugene Wood	14.00
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	80.10
Lester Avery	42.92
W. B. Avery	17.84
R. Jordan	2.50
Telephone	1.20
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	\$ 1,605.90
Overdraft	\$ 168.00
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	\$ 1,773.90
Drawn from town	\$ 1,773.90

**Concrete Header, Upper Road Bridge**

**Frank Broad, Foreman**

Eugene Wood	\$	5.45
Roy Sawyer		5.45
H. A. Broad		4.00
Harry Uhlman		3.50
Everett Sawyer		1.95
Frank Broad		2.75
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Total paid out	\$	23.10
Total drawn	\$	23.10

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**Lower Road Bridge, Frank Broad, Foreman**

Eugene Wood	\$	98.39
Harry Uhlman		68.45
H. A. Broad		243.60
Roy Sawyer		105.39
Everett Sawyer		73.89
Perley Colby		21.00
Carl Broad		52.50
Frank Broad		189.90
L. R. Morrison		11.22
F. C. Tobey		16.00
A. M. Rand		1.15
M. P. Hibbard		54.00
W. B. Avery		1.00
L. M. Avery		295.01
E. E. Caldon		2.00
S. P. Robie		4.50
H. A. Broad		3.00
Bert Elliott		49.50
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Total paid out	\$	1,290.50
Total amount drawn	\$	1,290.50

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**The Dobson Hill, Melvin Adams, Foreman**

Stanley Adams	\$	8.17
Ralph Steele		10.00
Medos Fountain		25.00
Leon Brown		60.03



Harry Adams	33.25
Floyd Haynes	3.50
Hollis Howard	36.00
Dan Downing	7.00
Harry Emmons	2.30
Harry Steele	3.00
Clayton Ham	7.50
Walter Dobson	1.75
Albert Woodbury	8.75
Melvin Adams	51.44
Daniel Danforth	10.50
George Adams	1.75
Fred Connor	7.00
Albert Merrill	16.70
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Total	\$ 293.64
Drawn from town	\$ 293.64

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## STATE AID MAINTENANCE

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### E. E. Caldon, Patrolman

Carl Ripley	\$ 45.91
Walter Grey	47.25
Frank Plummer	17.50
Lawrence Shores	130.13
Albert Woodbury	10.50
Verne Avery	10.50
Alonzo Benton	5.85
Scott Benton	5.85
George Jones	7.41
Joe LaFountain	7.41
Franklin Haynes	7.41
Everett Steele	7.41
Earl Caldon, gravel	60.00
Alex McLady	7.41
Harry Gilman	1.56
Sidney Boyce	1.56
Ernest Downing	3.50
Frank Kendrick, truck for dragging	35.25
Stearl Cheney, painting signs	1.50
Mrs. Jacob Uhlman, gravel	3.00

Karl Grey	68.38
Laurence Downing, truck	30.00
Lawrence Steele	48.07
Merlin Brown	10.50
Addie Gilman, gas, oil for mixer	3.75
O. M. Jones, land damage	5.00
Philip Grey	5.21
Leon Brown, truck	39.99
Bert Benton	35.85
Lester Knowles	16.35
Earl Caldon and truck	886.25
James Ripley	45.91
Jess Peaslee	10.50
John Merrill	14.40
Albert Merrill, lumber	8.82

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\$ 1,645.89

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## STATE CONSTRUCTION

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### E. E. Caldon, Foreman

Leon Brown	\$ 138.89
Medos Fountain	138.89
Bert Benton	135.56
Lawrence Shores	111.61
Willis Horner	81.86
Smith Merrill	59.11
Emery Tobyne	80.11
Horace Plummer	59.11
Earl Caldon	332.11
Lester Knowles	52.11
John Ross	43.94
Alex McLady	43.94
Verne Avery	15.36
Karl Ripley	35.19
Fred C. Tobey	61.25
John Keefe	40.44
Jess Peaslee	48.61
Harry Adams	48.22
Spencer Ham	31.50
Lawrence Downing	53.89
Charlie Kimball	118.89

Hollis Howard	108.89
Howard Downing	41.61
George Adams	41.61
Chester Downing	10.11
L. R. Morrison	3.00
E. C. Burleigh	19.60
Samuel Truesdale	24.50
William Avery	21.00
Philip Grey	24.50
W. B. Avery, dynamite	2.80
Albert Merrill, gravel	8.70
Earl E. Caldon, gravel	253.00
Walter Grey	59.50
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	\$ 2,349.41

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#### V. I. Sawyer, Trunk Line

Ralph Steele	\$ 180.00
Ralph Steele, man	61.44
Bert Avery	1,228.56
Henry Avery	477.55
V. Sawyer, money paid out	97.49
V. Sawyer, labor	70.04
Clarence Downing	1.75
Malcolm Downing	1.75
E. Downing	26.06
Robert Blake	151.10
Clarence Abbott	94.44
H. S. Sawyer	3.50
Clayton Ham	22.50
E. C. Burleigh	7.00
Leon Brown	120.00
Leon Brown, man	42.00
E. A. Greene	.57
H. S. Brown	5.06
F. S. Brown	1.56
Frank Avery	10.50
Spencer Ham	7.00
C. D. Amos	1.17
Sam Truesdale	57.56
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Total	\$ 2,668.60



### A. C. Benton, Report of Mad River Fire

Frank Boyce	\$ 3.60
Truman Heath	6.40
Fred Dolloff	2.80
Walter Elliott	2.80
A. C. Benton	10.00
V. Rieke	2.80
Fred Page	.80
John Ross	.80
Frank Plummer	.80
Alex Gero	.80
Riley Adams	.80
Morrison's Garage	2.60
Jo. Jacques	.80
Bert Cheney	.80
Amos Avery	.80
Bert Croft	.80
Roland Dole	.80
Lawrence Shores	.80
Carl Grey	.80
H. Saulnier	.80
Evelyn Benton	1.92
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	\$ 43.32

## LIBRARY REPORT

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Received from fines	\$	2.07
Books from state		22
Books owned		1,885
Books circulated		1,140
Magazines circulated,		35

VERA HAZELTINE.

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### Branch Library Report

Books in circulation 701

ANNIE A. TUTTLE.

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## REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES For the Year Ending January 31, 1932

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Cash on hand February 1, 1931	\$	39.13
Received from selectmen		50.00
Received from librarian, fines		2.07
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	\$	91.20
Paid for books		59.00
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Cash on hand	\$	32.20

ANNA K. DOBSON For Trustees.

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Having examined the accounts of Selectmen, Town Clerk and Treasurer, Road Agents, Tax Collector's Books 1930 and 1931, we find them correctly cast and properly vouched, for the year ending January 30, 1932.

ANNA K. DOBSON,  
ALBERT D. MERRILL,

Auditors.

# Births Registered in the Town of Thornton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1931

Date of Birth 1931	Name of Child (If any)	Sex, Cond		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents		Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
		Male, Female	Liv. or S' Brn			Color	Color of Parents			
Jan 4	Sally June	F	1	1	Beatrice Washburn	W	W	Gen Labor	Lincoln	Thornton N Y
Mar 18	Henry Robert	M	1	1	Anna Johnson	W	W	Herdsmen	Dunham Que	Dunham Que
Apr 1		F	1	1	Hilda Gilbert	W	W	Gen Labor	Berwick Me	Groveton
Apr 6	Edith May	F	1	1	Gladys Powell	W	W	Farming	Exira Iowa	Framingham Mass
May 11	John Duncan	M	1	1	Marion Dingwall	W	W	Farming	Thornton	Thornton
May 11	Natalie Cora	F	1	1	Evelyn Merrill	W	W	Truck Driver	North Woodstock	Lowell Mass
May 28	Robert Theodore	M	1	1	Ida Mitten	W	W	Gen Labor	Bridgevater	Madison
June 24	Lucy May	F	1	1	Lottie Gray	W	W	Coast Guard	Ram-burg Sweden	Boston Mass
June 24	Fritz Akot Jr	M	1	1	Katherine Dingwall	W	W	Gen Labor	Methuen Mass	Thornton
July 5	Vincent Rene	F	1	1	Mary E Merrill	W	W	Gen Labor	Wentworth	Plymouth
Sept 15	Virginia Elizabeth	F	1	1	Mary E Ferrin	W	W	Gen Labor	Thornton	North Woodstock
Oct 15	Leonard Stewart	M	1	1	Martha Kimball	W	W	Farming	North Woodstock	Campton
Oct 28	Myron Sherman	M	1	1	Ruth M Gordan	W	W	Mason	North Woodstock	

# Marriages Registered in the Town of Thornton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1931

1931	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age in years	Color of each	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation of Parents	Times married	Name residence and official station of person by whom married
July 26	Woodstock	Herman W Reitsma	Salem Mass	24 W	W	Gardener	Boston Mass	Wallace Reitsma	Roston Mass	Shoemaker	1	J C Muchmore
		Viola M Avery	Thornton	16 W	W	At Home	Rumney	Beatrice C Belsey	Nova Scotia	Housewife	1	J of P
Aug 12	Campton	Floyd Frank Haynes	Thornton	24 W	W	Laborer	Wallace Pond Vt	Chester A Avery	Ellsworth	Laborer	1	North Woodstock
		Eliza M Martin	Thornton	48 W	W	Housewife	Thornton	Margaret Downing	Thornton	Housewife	1	W E Garabedian
Aug 22	Plymouth	Leroy Uhlman	Thornton	20 W	W	Farming	Thornton	Ernest Haynes	E Hereford Que	Laborer	4	Campton
		Mary Long	Woodstock	21 W	W	Teaching	Woodstock	Louise Byette	Elsworth	Housewife	1	Clergyman
		James Melsaac	Thornton	46 W	W	Laborer	Prince Edw Is	Charles Ham	Sandwich	Deceased	1	Charles W Kelley
Oct 3	Campton	Isabelle Cochrane	Thornton	25 W	W	Housewife	Sandwich	Martha Wallace	Nova Scotia	Farming	1	Clergyman
								Jacob Uhlman	Maine	Farming	1	Winfred Hubbard
								Mamie Bell	Prince Edw Is	Housewife	1	Clergyman
								Walter Long	Campton	Sailor	2	Campton
								Mabel Sawyer	Prince Edw Is	Housewife	2	Campton
								John McDonald	Campton	Housewife	2	Campton
								George Sawyer	Prince Edw Is	Housewife	2	Campton
								Emma Clarke	Prince Edw Is	Housewife	2	Campton



# Deaths Registered in the Town of Thornton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1931

Date—1931	Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age		Place of Birth	Sex and Cond'n	Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	
			Years	Months				Father	Mother			
				Days								
Jan 9	Thornton	Sally June McLeod	56	9/15	Thornton	F W	Housewife	Lincoln	Thornton	Dale McLeod	Beatrice Washburn	
Jan 19	Thornton	Elizabeth L Huzzy	57	9/12	Canaan	F W M	Retired	Carroll	Jefferson	John Columbia	Mary Ingerson	
Apr 26	Thornton	Nathan Applebee	57	9/12	Carroll	M W	S Retired	Exira Iowa	Framingham Mass	John T Baumgardner	Marion Dingwall	
May 2	Thornton	John Baumgardner	58	1/17	Thornton	M W		Berwick Maine	Groveton	William Walker	Gladys Powell	
May 23	Thornton	Edith May Walker	58	1/17	Thornton	F W		London England	London England	William Orris	Emma Wayne	
May 30	Thornton	Henry Orris	58	10/23	Bedford P	M W	M R R Emp	Thornton	Campton	Lester Bradley	Hattie C Stickney	
June 5	Thornton	Samner Bradley	20	3/28	Thornton	M W	S Student			George Mayhew	Harriet Farrow	
Nov 14	Thornton	Ernest Mayhew	53	7/9	Thornton	M W	D Cook					

IRMA SMITH, Town Clerk.

# *School Report*

## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Thornton qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the eighth day of March 1932, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose two Members of the School Board—one for three years and one for one year.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
6. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the School Board in its annual report.
7. To see if the district will vote to adopt Medical Inspection for the schools and to raise and appropriate money therefor.
8. To see how much money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for repairs on school buildings.
9. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
10. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Thornton this fifteenth day of February 1932.

EDITH E. MERRILL,  
ROXEY I. MERRILL,  
STEARL HAZELTINE,

School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

EDITH E. MERRILL,  
ROXEY I. MERRILL,  
STEARL HAZELTINE,

School Board.



## REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

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Organization	Term Expires
Chairman, Edith Merrill	1932
Member, Roxy Merrill (appointed by school board)	1932
Member, Stearl Hazeltine	1934
Truant Officer, Stearl Hazeltine	
Treasurer, Irma Smith	
Superintendent and Secretary, Alonzo J. Knowlton	
Auditor, Anna K. Dobson	

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### School Calendar for 1931-1932

Terms open	Length in weeks	Terms close
September 8, 1931	14	December 18th
	Recess of one week	
December 28th	4	January 22, 1932
	Recess of one week	
February 1st	8	March 25th
	Recess of two weeks	
April 11th	11	June 22, 1932

Holidays: The day of the Teachers' Institute meeting, if teacher attends; one day of Plymouth Fair, Armistice Day, November 11th, Thanksgiving Day and the Friday following and Memorial Day.

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### TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Year Ending June 30, 1931

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#### Receipts

1930		
Aug. 11	From selectmen, school money in part	\$ 200.00
Sept. 5	From selectmen, school money in part	500.00
30	From selectmen, school money in part	500.00

Oct. 29	From selectmen, school money in part	500.00
Nov. 19	From selectmen, school money in part	300.00
19	From selectmen, school money in part	600.00
Dec. 10	From selectmen, school money in part	500.00
15	From state treasurer, equalization fund	2,862.81
1931		
Jan. 26	From Florence Steele, refund to Medical account	15.00
May 4	From selectmen, school money in part	500.00
June 6	From selectmen, school money in part	500.00
17	From selectmen, school money in part	500.00
18	From selectmen, school money in part	867.68
19	From state treasurer, equalization fund	104.99
Total receipts		<u>\$ 8,450.48</u>

#### Payments

Paid school board's orders Nos. 692-859	<u>\$ 8,419.49</u>
Balance on hand June 30, 1931	<u>\$ 30.99</u>

IRMA SMITH,  
District Treasurer.

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Thornton, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, and find them correct in all respects.

ANNA K.DOBSON,  
Auditor.

June 30, 1931

# FINANCIAL REPORT

## For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1931

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### Receipts

State aid, equalization fund	\$ 2,967.80
<b>Income From Local Taxation</b>	
For support of elementary schools	\$ 2,826.71
For payment of high school tuition	1,309.47
For salaries of district officers	100.00
For payment of per capita tax	182.00
For superintendent's excess salary	246.16
For repairs	650.00
For medical assistance and nurse	148.50
For other obligations	19.84
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Total	\$ 5,482.68
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Cash on hand at beginning of year	0.00
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Grand total	\$8,450.48

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### Payments

#### Administration

Salaries of district officers	
Edith E. Merrill	\$ 25.00
Florence Steele	25.00
Irma Smith	25.00
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	\$ 75.00
Superintendent's excess salary	\$ 246.16
Expenses of administration	14.45

#### Instruction

Teachers' salaries	
Frances E. Braley	\$ 900.00
Isabelle M. Kimball	900.00
Ethel U. Bronson	850.00
Mary A. Long	950.00
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	\$ 3,600.00

<b>Text books</b>	\$ 120.13
<b>Scholars' Supplies</b>	\$ 77.42
<b>Other Expenses of Instruction</b>	\$ 5.50
<b>Operation and Maintenance of School Plant</b>	
Janitor service	\$ 144.00
<b>Fuel</b>	
Fred Adams	\$ 5.00
Stanley Adams	5.00
Frank E. Broad	1.50
Ezra R. Downing	49.50
Robert Haynes	4.00
Edith Merrill (cash paid)	4.50
A. D. Merrill	15.00
Smith A. Merrill	36.00
Albert Woodbury	5.00
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	\$ 125.50
<b>Janitors' Supplies</b>	\$ 13.10
<b>Minor Repairs and Expenses</b>	\$ 476.51
<b>Auxiliary Agencies</b>	
Medical inspection	\$ 79.25
<b>Transportation of Pupils</b>	
Lester Bradley	\$ 360.00
Robert Danforth	260.00
Ernest Downing	500.00
Frank Haynes	360.00
Roy Sawyer	106.00
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	\$ 1,586.00
<b>High School Tuition</b>	
Plymouth	\$ 617.47
Lincoln	470.00
Woodstock	296.00
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	\$ 1,383.47
<b>Elementary School Tuition</b>	
Campton	\$ 180.00
	72.00
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	\$ 252.00



<b>Fixed Charges</b>	
Per capita tax	\$ 182.00
<b>Outlay For Construction and New Equipment</b>	
Alterations of old buildings	\$ 27.00
New equipment	12.00
	<u>\$ 39.00</u>
Total payments for all purposes	\$ 8,419.49
Cash on hand at end of year	30.99
<b>Grand total</b>	<u>\$ 8,450.48</u>

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**BALANCE SHEET**  
**June 30, 1931**

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<b>Assets</b>	
Cash on hand June 30, 1931	\$ 30.99
Due from Town	
Balance of appropriation	\$ 448.55
Dog money	138.60
½ Forest Reserve Fund	103.77
<b>Total assets</b>	<u>\$ 721.91</u>

<b>Liabilities</b>	
<b>Amounts Reserved for Special Purposes</b>	
Repairs	\$ 323.49
Special medical aid	151.50
Salaries of district officers	25.00
Expense of administration	5.39
High school tuition	216.53
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<u>\$ 721.91</u>

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Thornton of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ANNA K. DOBSON,  
Auditor.

June 30, 1931.

## SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1932-1933

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School Board's statement of the amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1932.

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### Detailed Statement of Expenditures

#### Support of Schools

Teachers' salaries	\$ 3,600.00
Text books	120.00
Scholars' supplies	80.00
Flags and appurtenances	5.00
Other expenses of instruction	5.00
Janitor service	144.00
Fuel	185.00
Janitors' supplies	12.00
Minor repairs and expenses	100.00
Health supervision	50.00
Transportation of pupils	1,080.00
Payment of elementary tuition	180.00

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Total	\$ 5,561.00
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#### Other Statutory Requirements

Salaries of district officers	\$ 75.00
Payment of high school tuition (estimate)	1,400.00
Superintendent's excess salary	246.16
Per capita tax (reported by state treasurer)	196.00
Other obligations	14.84

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Total	\$ 1,932.00
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Total amount required to meet school board's budget	\$ 7,493.00
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#### Estimated Income of District Not Raised by Taxation

State aid (Dec. 1932 allotment—estimated)	\$ 2,875.07
Dog tax (estimate)	130.00

Income from forest reserve (estimate)	287.93
Deduct total estimated income	<u>\$ 3,293.00</u>
Assessment required to balance school board's budget	\$ 4,200.00

EDITH E. MERRILL,  
ROXEY MERRILL,  
STEARL HAZELTINE

Thornton, N. H., February 10, 1932      School Board

To apply for State Aid \$2,903.95 must be raised for elementary schools.

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### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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Mrs. Chairman and Members of the School Board:

I hereby submit for your consideration my thirteenth report of the Thornton schools.

The schools opened in September 1931 with the following teachers: Ethel U. Bronson, West Thornton; Frances E. Bradley, Center; Anna S. Leech, Mad River who resigned on December 29 and Mrs. Glen H. Sturtevant was secured to fill the vacancy; and Isabelle M. Kimball, Lyford.

The school census, taken last September, showed 44 boys and 34 girls, or a total of 78 children in town between the ages of five and sixteen. There were found not to be in school four between five and eight; three between 14 and 16. Of the latter, two had completed the elementary school and one was excused by the school board. The total number of children registered in the schools September 30th was 60.

This year, 1931-1932, there are twenty-three who are registered in high schools—Plymouth, Woodstock and Lincoln, and four who are attending elementary schools outside of the district.

The following pupils completed the work of the eighth grade, namely, John Erven Applebee, Margaret Dorothy Avery, Viola May Avery, Ruric Wardner Jordan, Nellie Clara Merrill and Rachel Esther Merrill.

The following children had a perfect attendance for the year and received certificates at the grammar school graduation, namely, Edward Brown, Donna R. Dolloff, Alfred Howard, Theresa Howard, Oscar Inkell, Irene Shores, Margaret Etta Ward and Herman Wright.

The Lyford school building was painted outside. Some of the others should be painted during the coming year. All buildings were cleaned during the summer vacation and the toilets cleansed. New seats and desks were purchased for Mad River.

The health examination was made by Miss Addie Bilodeau, R. N., Lincoln. Miss Bilodeau has continued her follow-up work with considerable success.

From the teachers' registers, the following data was gleaned: Five school visits were made by members of the school board, 165 by citizens and 125 by the superintendent of schools. The total unrepeated registration was seventy-one, and the per cent of attendance was 93.91. This is almost the same as the previous year which was 93.95.

Good health habits are taught in all schools as a part of the regular program. We hope some of the habits may "carry over" and become an integral part of life's activities. Health is the greatest human asset and should be carefully preserved as it tends to promote longevity and happiness.

Respectfully submitted,

ALONZO J. KNOWLTON,  
Superintendent of Schools.

North Woodstock, N. H., January 21, 1932.



# RED CROSS PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE'S REPORT

## Thornton, N. H., 1931-1932

### School Report

The routine of the nurse consists of a general examination, weighing and measuring of each pupil in the school, with follow-up visits in the home to have as many of the defects corrected as possible.

### Visits to Schools

Mad River	10
Lyford	13
Center Thornton	11
West Thornton	10

The list of defects found are as follows:

	Lyford	West Thornton	Center Thornton	Mad River
No. of pupils	6	22	20	15
Teeth	5	17	15	11
Tonsils	4	15	11	13
Adenoids	1	1		
Pediculosis	3			
Vision	1	2	3	
Underweight 10%	4	8	11	1
Hearing	1			
Unvaccinated	5	3	4	8
Skin				1
Speech				1
Anaemia		1	1	
Cardiac		1	1	
Enlarged cervical glands			1	

Corrections are as follows:

	Lyford	West Thornton	Center Thornton	Mad River
Teeth	4	1	4	2
Tonsils	1			
Underweight 10%		1		1
Vision			1	

Parents were notified of defects by cards, and requested to consult their family physician for advice.

Attendance at Dental Clinics held in Lincoln Grammar Schools weeks of April 27th and November 9th, 1931.

	April	Nov.
No. of children who had all defects corrected	5	2
No. of children who had part of defects corrected	2	2
Adults cared for at clinic	1	1
School children with no defects at time of examination	1	
Total	<hr/> 9	<hr/> 5

Attendance at Tonsil and Adenoid Clinic June 23, 1931.

Number of operations 1

Attendance at Tuberculosis and Underweight Clinic June 3, 1931

School children examined 7

Nature of defects:

Advised to take Cod Liver oil and milk 1

Defective tonsils (advised removal) 2

Enlarged tonsils 2

Defective teeth 3

Enlarged cervical glands 1

Thyroid 1

Nasal discharge 1

The school children and the parents desiring to attend the different clinics were transported through the courtesy of the Lincoln Chapter Motor Corp.

Health educational leaflets were passed out in the schools throughout the year, so that the parents will know something of the health work the schools are doing, and also that they may realize how much this service means to the welfare of their children.

ADDIE BILODEAU, P. H. N.







